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REMARKS

The Office action dated November 2, 2006, and the references cited have been fully considered. In response, please enter the amendments presented herein and consider the following remarks. Reconsideration and/or further prosecution of the application is respectfully requested.

Applicants appreciate the thoughtful examination of the matter, including the notification that all claims would be allowed if the claim objection and § 101 rejections were overcome. As this application has been pending for an extended duration, Applicants have elected to amend claims 1, 6, and 11 in accordance with the Office's suggestion to render the issue moot, but Applicants respectfully traverse the claim objection as the Office may interpret claims broadly, but such interpretation must be reasonable and Applicants cannot understand how an *n* of negative one is possible in a reasonable interpretation of the claim. In regards to the § 101 rejection, Applicants have rendered moot the issue as Applicants' current preference is for apparatus claims rather than computer-readable medium claims, so claims 11-15 and 21-25 are amended accordingly, and the amended claim format uncontroversially conforms to § 101. As all outstanding issues have been covered, Applicants respectfully request that all objections and rejections be withdrawn.

In view of the above remarks and for at least the reasons presented herein, all pending claims are believed to be allowable over the prior art of record, the application is considered in good and proper form for allowance, and the Office is respectfully requested to withdraw all claim objections/rejections and issue a timely Notice of allowance in this case. If, in the opinion of the Office, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Office is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

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Applicants believe that a one-month extension of time is required, which is requested with the requisite fee being submitted herewith. Additionally, the Commissioner is hereby generally authorized under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) to treat this communication or any future communication in this or any related application filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 requiring an extension of time as incorporating a request therefore, and the Commissioner is hereby specifically authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 501430 for any fee that may be due in connection with such a request for an extension of time. Moreover, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fee due any under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and § 1.17 associated with this communication or any future communication in this or any related application filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501430.

Respectfully submitted,
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